

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING
ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO
October 27, 2015**

The City Council of the City of Artesia, New Mexico met in the City Council Chambers at City Hall on Tuesday, October 27, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in regular session with Mayor Phillip Burch presiding, and the following present to wit:

Terry Hill	Raul Rodriguez
Manuel Madrid Jr.	Bill Rogers

The following were absent:

Jose Luis Aguilar	Nora Sanchez
Kent Bratcher	Jeff Youtsey

Also present:

Aubrey Hobson, City Clerk-Treasurer
John Caraway, City Attorney

It was determined that a quorum was present. The invocation was given by Councilor Rodriguez, and all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Requests for City Facilities

City Clerk Aubrey Hobson presented a request from Kevin Baggerly to use Baish Veterans' Park on Saturday, November 7, 2015 from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm for the Balloons and Tunes – Concert in Veterans' Park. Councilor Rodriguez moved to approve the request for use of Baish Park on November 7, 2015 contingent upon proof of insurance. The motion was seconded by Councilor Rogers and upon vote, the motion passed.

Consent Agenda

Councilor Rodriguez moved to approve the Consent Agenda as written. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro tem Hill upon vote, the motion passed.

The Consent Agenda includes:

1. Approval of Minutes: * October 13, 2015
2. Consideration of Bids:
3. Contracts, Leases and Agreements:
4. Appointments:
5. Resignations:
 - A. Accept the resignation of John Meier, Water Technician, effective October 16, 2015
 - B. Accept the resignation of Tanya Lopez, Detention Officer, effective October 30, 2015
 - C. Accept the resignation of Frederick Gygi, Police Officer, effective November 22, 2015
6. Dates of Hearing:
 - A. Permission to set a public hearing on November 10, 2015 for consideration of **Case No.15-45**, Variance to the street side yard setbacks; 601 and 611 N. York Street; Lots 1 and 6 of Trilogy Unit #2; Owners-Traditions of Trilogy LLC, Tom DuBose-Manager

- B. Permission to set a public hearing on November 24, 2015 for consideration of an ordinance for **Case No.15-46**, Final Plat- Trilogy Unit #2A; A replat of Lots 1 through 72 of Trilogy Unit #2; Owners-Traditions of Trilogy LLC, Tom DuBose-Manager
 - C. Permission to set a public hearing on November 24, 2015 for consideration of an ordinance for **Case No.15-52**, Final Plat-Linda Vista Estates; 1000 block of W. Catalina Drive.; Lots 2, 3, and 4 of Block 2; Lots 1 and 2 of Block 3; and Lots 8, 9, and 10 of Block 4 of Artesia Estates; Owners-Ottie Speir, Speir Properties, LLC; Agent-Smith Engineering
7. *Travel and Training:
- A. Wastewater – Permission for three (3) employees to attend the NMRWA Southern Workshop in Las Cruces, NM
 - B. Police – Permission for one (1) employee to attend the Instructor Development training in Albuquerque, NM
8. Routine Requests for City Facilities:
- A. *Shelley Ebarb has requested the use of Jaycee Park on Saturday, October 31, 2015 from 8 am – 11 am for a High School Cross Country meet. Request use of City services as stated on application
9. Budgeted Items:
10. Non-budgeted Items:
11. *Payment of Bills

Public Hearing

Mayor Burch stated that because there were only four councilors attending, the council could not consider actions that require a majority of the governing body.

Councilor Rodriguez moved to postpone the public hearings for the following items:

- 1. Consideration and approval of an ordinance- Amendment of Title 10, Land Subdivision.
- 2. Consideration and approval of an ordinance adopting the 2015 amendments to the Uniform Traffic Ordinance (UTO).
- 3. Consideration and approval of an ordinance amending Chapter 2 (Penalty Assessment) of Title 12 (Motor Vehicle and Traffic) of the Artesia Municipal Code.

Personnel

Human Resources Director Sandi Farley requested that the consideration of two policies (Cell Phone Usage and Time Recording) be postponed until the Nov. 10th meeting, due to a lack of attendance by the majority of the governing body.

Ms. Farley reported on the customer service training that was conducted last week.

Community Development

Community Development Director Jim McGuire reported on the Recreation Advisory Committee meeting.

Infrastructure

Facilities Maintenance Supervisor John Anguiano reported on current projects in the Infrastructure Department.

Mayor

Councilor Rodriguez moved that in accordance with 10-15-1-H(7), the Council and Mayor go into executive session regarding threatened or pending litigation. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro tem Hill and upon roll call vote, with the following votes recorded:

Aye: Hill, Madrid, Rodriguez, Rogers

Nay: none

the motion passed.

Council recessed to executive session at 6:20 p.m.

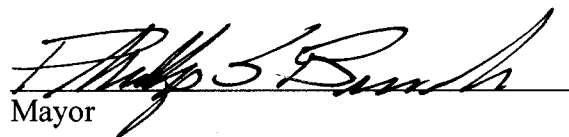
Council reconvened at 6:33 p.m.

Councilor Rodriguez moved that the only matters discussed in executive session pertained to threatened or pending litigation and no action was taken. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro tem Hill and upon vote, the motion passed.

New and Other Business from Councilors

Mayor Pro tem Hill reported that the chain saw carving on the pecan tree in Baish Park is underway and should be finished by 10-28-15.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m. October 27, 2015.


Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

